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<p align="center">Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief</p>	Application No. 09/941,038	Applicant(s) SIMPSON ET AL.	
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THE REPLY FILED 16 June 2008 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

1. ☒ The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

- a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.

Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

AMENDMENTS

3. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because
(a) ☐ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
(b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);
(c) ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
(d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).
5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
7. ☐ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) ☐ will not be entered, or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:
Claim(s) allowed: _____.
Claim(s) objected to: _____.
Claim(s) rejected: _____.
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

8. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).
9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).
10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

11. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
See Continuation Sheet.
12. ☐ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement*(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). _____.
13. ☐ Other: _____.

/David K Moore/
Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2625

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:

Regarding Claim 10, the applicant argues that Nakamura fails to teach that personal computer automatically provides a user ID to the digital copying machine. The examiner respectfully disagrees. As stated in col. 19, lines 1-9, the ID number of the user who makes the print request is attached to the image data. No where is it recited that the computer attaches the user ID in response to a user command for the personal computer to attach the ID as stated in the applicant's arguments (page 8, 3rd paragraph). It is being interpreted by the examiner that it is inherent that the user ID is automatically attached to the image data, such as when the user may have first logged on to the personal computer., etc.

Regarding Claim 23, the applicant argues that Takagi et al fails to teach a client computing device configured to automatically detect an identity of the user. The examiner respectfully disagrees. As recited in col 4, lines 54-60, a user inputs a password at the digital copying machine to enable the private printing function. As recited in Claim 22, " a client computing device configured to execute a network browser via which content representing a printer can be displayed to allow a user of the client computing device to request a document to be printed at the printer and provide a personal identification number (PIN), to automatically detect an identity of the user". The claim also requires the user to enter a PIN to identify the user.

Regarding Claim 26, the applicant argues that Nakamura fails to teach querying the operating system of the client computing device for the identity. The examiner respectfully disagrees. As stated in col. 19, lines 10-29, when a user enters the control area of the digital copying machine, the copying machine detects the user's ID card. The image data and the user's ID number are stored in the digital copying machine. The digital copying machine is capable of identifying ID of the user that has entered the control area of the digital copying machine and is capable of performing various controlling operations based on the ID number. The digital copying machine would need to search and identify the image data related to the user ID in order to perform the various operations.

Regarding Claim 27, the applicant argues that Nakamura fails to teach the automatic detection of the user identity is accomplished by using a proximity sensor that is part of the client computing device to identify the user identification from a device worn by a user. The examiner respectfully disagrees. As stated in col. 19, lines 10-29, each user has an ID card which is wirelessly communicable with the digital copying machine within a control area covered by the digital copying machine. The ID card can be worn by the user and when the user is within the control area (interpreted by the examiner as proximity), the ID card can be in communication with the digital copying machine.